

Remarks**I. Claim Status:**

Claims 1-12 are pending and are the subject of a restriction and/or election requirement. Claims 8-12 are canceled without prejudice. Claims 1-7 have been amended to delete recitation of reference characters and to further conform the claims to U.S. practice. No new matter has been added by the amendments. Entry and consideration of the claims 107, as amended, are respectfully requested.

II. Restriction Requirement:

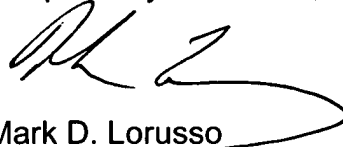
Claims 1-12 have been deemed drawn to two different inventions. Applicants elect Group I, drawn to a device. Claims 1-7 read on the elected invention. Claims 8-12 read on the unelected invention and are canceled without prejudice.

Applicants' election is made without traverse.

III. Conclusion:

For all the foregoing reasons, the claims are considered to define patentably over the prior art. Reconsideration is requested and favorable action is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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